Oil and Gas Production

1873. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present percentage of oil and gas production in India as compared to its consumption;

(b) the places where the bulk of oil and natural gas is produced with quantity thereof; and

(c) the total stocks thereof available as on the 30th April, 1992?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Of the total crude oil requirement, approximately 60 per cent is produced indigenously. The entire gas consumed is indigenously produced.

(b) The bulk of the indigenous production is in the Western Offshore region, in Gujarat and in Assam. In 1991-92 production from these regions was as under:—

(Provisional)

Region	Crude Oil (Million Tonnes)	Gas (Billion cubis mts.)
Western Offshore	18.96	14.6
Gujarat	6.03	6.9
Assam	5.03	7.2

(c) As on 1-1-91 balance recoverable reserves of crude oil and natural gas were approximately 800 million tonnes and 730 billion cubic metres, respectively.

Cancellation of contract with Russian Firm

1874. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have cancelled the contract with a Russian firm for seismic survey for exploration of oil in the Ganges West Bengal which was signed in 1989; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) According to ONGC, both sides have agreed to discontinue the seismic survey.

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1875. **श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज :**
श्री रणजीत सिंह :

क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि 72 ब्लाकों में तेल की खोज से संबंधित कार्य सम्पादित करने के लिए देशी व विदेशी 31 कम्पनियों ने 24 प्रस्ताव दिये हैं;

(ख) क्या सरकार ने इन प्रस्तावों का अध्ययन कर लिया है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो अधिकतम और न्यूनतम राशि का प्रस्ताव देने वाली कम्पनियां कौन-कौन सी हैं; और

(घ) क्या सरकार ने संबंधित कम्पनियों के प्रस्तावों को स्वीकार करने के